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SUBJ: MEDIA REACTION REPORTING

CONSERVATIVE PRO-GOVERNMENT EL PAIS TUESDAY PUBLISHED
AN EDITORIAL COMMENTARY ON UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD THE
SOVIET UNION.

UNDER THE HEADING "WE SHOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW" THE LEADING
MONTEVIDEO DAILY STATES THAT "WE SHOULD LIKE TO BELIEVE THAT
PRESIDENT CARTER IS DEVELOPING A HIGH STANDARD, LONG RANGE
POLICY, WHOSE ULTIMATE AIM CONSISTS OF DIPLOMATICALLY INTIM-
IDATING THE SOVIET UNION EXPOSING ITS CONDUCT IN VIOLATION
OF ELEMENTARY RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES.

IF SUCH WERE THE CASE, THE U.S. WOULD HAVE THE ADVANTAGE OF
THE INITIATIVE EVERYWHERE IN THE WORLD WHERE THERE IS
FEICTION, WHICH WOULD BE ADVANTAGEOUS TO THE WEST WHICH
WOULD NOT SCRIMP IN ITS SUPPORT..."

EL PAIS THEN ASKS "CAN IT BE ADMITTED THAT CONDITIONS ARE
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SUCH? THE TRUTH IS THAT CARTER'S POLICY AS A WHOLE LACKS
UNITY AND COHERENCE. BECAUSE HUMAN RIGHTS CANNOT BE
DEFENDED WHILE SIMULTANEOUSLY SEEKING AN APPROACH WITH CUBA;
NOR IS IT ADMISSABLE THAT PEACE AND STABILITY CAN BE SOUGHT
IN THE MIDDLE EAST WHILE SPONSORING THE IDEA OF A
PALESTINE STATE OR THE ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL FROM OCCUPIED
TERRITORIES; AND IT IS AN EXTREMELY DANGEROUS GAME TO CONTRIBUTE

TOWARD THE EXCITING OF AFRICAN COUNTRIES AGAINST
RHODESIA AND SOUTH AFRICA WITH THE ARGUMENT THAT THE SO CALLED
MAJORITIES SHOULD HAVE THE POWER IN THOSE COUNTRIES;
TO SAY NOTHING ABOUT THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE AMERICAN FORCES
FROM SOUTH KOREA OR THE PROGRESSIVE WEAKENING
OF THE TIES WHICH CAUSED THE UNITED STATES TO DEFEND TAIWAN
AGAINST COMMUNIST CHINA..."

EL PAIS CONCLUDED BY POINTING OUT THAT "SOON MR. TODMAN WILL
BE AMONG US, AND IT SEEMS THAT HE IS COMING TO GATHER INFORMATION
ABOUT THE SITUATION IN OUR COUNTRY AND OF THE OTHER COUNTRIES
HE WILL ALSO VISIT. WOULDN'T IT BE
APPROPRIATE IF, IN ADDITION TO
ANALYZING OUR SITUATION, HE WOULD PRODUCE A FULL
CLARIFYING REPORT ABOUT THE CURRENT FOREIGN POLICY
OF THE UNITED STATES AND EXPLAIN SOME OF THE ATTITUDES OF
THE OFFICIALS OF HIS COUNTRY?"
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